

Camden in full

The council tax bill and who receives it, spending by service, payments over £500, senior pay, the report card and how the council compares.

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Executive summary

The key figures from each part of this report, with the change on a year earlier where the source gives one.

Camden: your area

£2,208

Band D council tax, 2026-27
+£101 (+4.8%) vs 2025-26
As of 6 April 2026

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Parking surplus, 2025-26
As of 6 April 2025

27.7%

Household waste recycled,
2024-25

Council tax in Camden

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Band A, the lowest
As of 6 April 2026

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Band D against the England
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Below average
As of 6 April 2026

Where your council tax goes in Camden

£2,207.55

Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

£1,664.72

Goes to Camden itself (75%)
As of 6 April 2026

£531.52

Largest line: adult social care
As of 17 September 2026

Parking income in Camden

£38.50m

Parking surplus
+£6.22m (+19.3%) vs 2024-25
2025-26

£73.49m

Parking income
+£23.64m (+47.4%) vs 2024-25
2025-26

£34.99m

Spending on parking
+£17.43m (+99.2%) vs 2024-25
2025-26

Camden: spending over £500

£841.4m

Paid in payments of £500 or more,
latest year

64,941

Payments

3,114

Suppliers

Camden: senior pay and councillor allowances

£278,025

Chief Executive, 2025-26

72

Staff paid £100,000 or more,
2025-26

£1,367,000

Members' allowances, 2025-26

Camden: your area

[Your area · Last updated 28 September 2026 · https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/your-area/camden/](https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/your-area/camden/)

Camden sets a Band D council tax of **£2,208** for 2026-27, 269 of 296 councils in England from the highest. Police: Metropolitan Police. Fire and rescue: London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority. Health: NHS North Central London Integrated Care Board. This page links to everything the site holds on the area; the full bill, the report card and parking each have a page of their own.

Key figures

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As of 6 April 2025

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Household waste recycled,
2024-25

10%

A roads where maintenance
should be considered, 2024-25

48%

Reserves as a share of spending,
2025-26

What is the council tax in Camden?

Band D is **£2,208** a year for 2026-27, and Band A, the lowest, **£1,472**. That is £203 below the England average of £2,411, 269 of 296 in England from the highest.

Of a Band D bill, **£1,697** goes to Camden.

[Every band, who gets the money and how Camden compares](#)

[Where your council tax goes: from your bill to each service](#)

[Every payment over £500 that Camden publishes](#)

[Camden: senior pay and councillors' allowances](#)

How does the council compare?

- Council tax rise this year 4.8% Lower than the England figure of 4.9%
- Council tax per head £993 Higher than the England figure of £796
- Ombudsman uphold rate 77% (27 of 35) Lower than the England figure of 86%
- Reserves as a share of net spending 48% Lower than the England figure of 50%
- Borrowing per home £2,581 Lower than the England figure of £3,474
- Accounts, 2024-25 Delivered by backstop 92% of bodies had an opinion delivered by the backstop date
- Ofsted, children's services Outstanding 73% of English councils are good or outstanding
- CQC, adult social care Outstanding 62% of assessed councils are good or outstanding
- A roads needing maintenance considered 10% Higher than the England figure of 5%
- Recycling rate 27.7% Lower than the England figure of 42.0%
- Major planning decisions on time 97.7% Higher than the England figure of 91.0%

Each figure is set against the figure for England as a whole. They are plain comparisons, one measure at a time: there is no overall score and no ranking of councils. Higher is not always better or worse; what each measure does and does not show is on the [methodology page](#).

[The full report card: complaints, finances, audit, pay and services](#)

Roads, bins and planning

Roads, recycling and planning in Camden

Measure	Figure	Period
A roads where maintenance should be considered	10%	2024-25
B and C roads where maintenance should be considered	—	2024-25
Unclassified roads where maintenance should be considered	—	2024-25
Household waste reused, recycled or composted	27.7%	2024-25
Major planning decisions made on time	97.7%	24 months to end of June 2026

Road condition is from the Department for Transport; each figure is compared with England as a whole in the [report card](#).

What does the council make from parking?

Parking income and surplus for Camden

Authority	Year	Income	Surplus
Camden	2025-26	£73.5m	£38.5m

What the law lets a council spend a parking surplus on is on [parking fines and council parking income](#).

Who is your MP?

A council area can span several constituencies, so your MP depends on your address. Enter your postcode in the box at the top of this page to see your MP and what their office cost, [find any MP by name or constituency](#), or see every constituency and its MP on [the MP map](#).

How much crime is recorded here?

In the 12 months to June 2026, police recorded **175.4 crimes per 1,000 residents** in Camden, excluding anti-social behaviour, against 82.4 across England.

[Camden on the crime map, down to streets of a few hundred homes](#)

Your police precept

In London the police precept is part of the Mayor's precept on your bill. It funds **Metropolitan Police**, which has £4.0bn in all for 2026-27. The precept is set once for the whole force area and spent across the whole force area, so the crime figures above for Camden are not what its precept bought.

[Metropolitan Police: funding, precept and results for the whole force](#)

Who runs police, fire, health and ambulances here?

The bodies that serve Camden, and their latest money

Service	Body	Latest	Per resident
Police	Metropolitan Police	£4.0bn (2026-27)	£440
Fire and rescue	London Fire Brigade	£576m (2025-26)	£63.15
Ambulance	London Ambulance Service NHS Trust	£756m (2024-25)	£82.58
NHS	NHS West and North London Integrated Care Board	£12.6bn (2028-29)	£3,482
Roads	Camden	£0m (2025-26)	£0.00
Schools	Camden	£143m (2026-27)	£661
Council spending	Camden	£707m (2025-26)	£3,261
Social care	Camden	£255m (2024-25)	£1,156
Housing	Camden	£65m (2025-26)	£299
Waste and recycling	Camden	not published	—

Each body serves a wider area than Camden, and its money is for the whole of that area. Its page has its funding over time and what is recorded alongside it; [public services near you](#) looks them up for any postcode. Water is not covered yet: see [Discover Water](#).

Which bodies cover Camden: ONS lookups of local authorities to police force areas, fire and rescue authorities, integrated care boards and local health boards (Open Government Licence v3.0); where an area is split between integrated care boards, the one covering most residents is named.

How does Camden look against other councils?

See Camden on [the council map](#), alongside every other council on council tax, complaints, reserves, audit and inspections, or [browse every council](#).

Common questions

- How much is council tax in Camden? Band D is £2,208 a year for 2026-27. [Every band](#).
- Which police force covers Camden? Metropolitan Police police force area. Fire and rescue: London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority.

Council tax in Camden

Your area · Last updated 28 September 2026 · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/camden/>

Council tax in Camden for 2026-27 is **£2,208 a year for a Band D home**, £1,472 for Band A and £4,415 for the top band. That is £203 below the England average of £2,411. It ranks 269 of 296 billing areas in England. Figures are the council's own set rates.

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Rank in England, highest first
As of 6 April 2026

What is the bill for each band?

Council tax by band in Camden, bands A to H

Band	A year	A month
Band A	£1,471.70	£122.64
Band B	£1,716.98	£143.08
Band C	£1,962.27	£163.52
Band D	£2,207.55	£183.96
Band E	£2,698.12	£224.84
Band F	£3,188.68	£265.72
Band G	£3,679.25	£306.60
Band H	£4,415.10	£367.93

Who gets the money?

Band D bill in Camden by receiving body

Who receives it	Band D	Share
Camden	£1,697	77%
Other precepting bodies	£511	23%

Each body sets its own precept and the council simply collects them together. The council that sends the bill keeps only its own share.

[Where your council tax goes: from your bill to each service](#)

How does it compare?

Band D here is **£203 below** the England average, 269 of 296 councils from the highest.

Camden among the England councils nearest it, Band D 2026-27

Thurrock	£2,255
Sandwell	£2,244
Lewisham	£2,237
Brent	£2,235
Camden (Camden)	£2,208
Barking and Dagenham	£2,199
Solihull	£2,197
Sunderland	£2,197
Hounslow	£2,186

Ranked highest first. Every council is in the full table.

How does Camden compare? The report card

Official figures on complaints, finances, audit, pay and services for Camden, each from the body that published it and set against the figure for England. See every council on the [council map](#).

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What do complaints to the ombudsman show?

Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman: Camden, 2025-26

Measure	Camden	For comparison
Complaints and enquiries received	228	—
Complaints and enquiries decided	174	145 in 2024-25
Detailed investigations	35	—
Upheld	27	—
Uphold rate	77%	86% for every body the Ombudsman covers; 88% for similar councils
Upheld cases where the council had already offered a satisfactory remedy	7%	13% for every body the Ombudsman covers
Ombudsman's recommendations the council complied with	100%	99.9% for every body the Ombudsman covers
Uphold rate in 2024-25	90%	—

An uphold rate depends on how many complaints reach a detailed investigation. With few investigations, one decision moves it a long way.

Source: [Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman, Annual review of local government complaints](#), 2025-26.

The Housing Ombudsman, which handles complaints from council tenants, made 7 findings of severe maladministration against London Borough of Camden Council in 2025-26, out of 229 findings in 108 determinations. Its maladministration rate for this landlord was 81%.

Source: [Housing Ombudsman Service, Annual complaints review: landlord tables](#), 2025-26.

How healthy are its finances?

Reserves, spending and borrowing: Camden

Measure	Camden	For comparison
Net revenue spending, 2025-26	£320.6m	—
Reserves at the end of 2025-26	£154.0m	—
Reserves as a share of net spending	48%	50% for England; 50% in 2024-25
Outstanding borrowing at 30 June 2026	£294.3m	—
Borrowing per home on the valuation list	£2,581	£3,474 across English billing authorities

Earmarked and unallocated revenue reserves at the end of the year, excluding schools and public health, as a share of net revenue expenditure. Much of any council's reserves is set aside for particular purposes. Borrowing is total outstanding loans of every kind; councils borrow mainly to pay for buildings, roads and housing, and the figure does not show what the borrowing was for.

Source: [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Local authority revenue expenditure and financing: revenue outturn time series](#), 2025-26; [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Local authority borrowing and investment live table](#), 30 June 2026; [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Council Taxbase statistics](#), 2025.

What have the auditors said?

Audit of the accounts: Camden

Accounts year	Status recorded by PSAA	Opinion signed
2024-25	Delivered by backstop	25 February 2026
2023-24	Delivered by backstop	27 February 2025

“Delivered by backstop” means the auditor gave an opinion by the statutory backstop date. Many opinions given that way were disclaimed or qualified because the deadline cut the audit short; PSAA publishes which type of opinion each council received only as national totals, so it is not shown here. Auditors’ value-for-money findings are in each auditor’s annual report on the council’s website.

Source: [Public Sector Audit Appointments, Monthly audit opinion data](#), 2024-25.

What are senior staff and councillors paid?

Pay and allowances: Camden, from the statement of accounts

Measure	2025-26	2024-25
Employees paid £50,000 or more	2,429	1,784
Councillors’ allowances	£1,367,000	£1,316,000

The count is up 645 on the year before. ‘The number of staff receiving remuneration in the year in excess of £50,000 ... excluding those officers named in the earlier part of this note. These figures include staff in community schools.’ Non-schools, Community Schools and Overall Total; counts are Overall Total (2,429 in 2025/26; 1,784 in 2024/25). The council notes a 3.2% pay award from 1 April 2025 placed a number of staff over the £50,000 threshold for the first time. The accounts describe the allowances figure as “Allowances 1,365 (2024/25 1,312); Expenses 2 (4); Total 1,367 (1,316) £’000 — paid to Members of the authority (councillors and independent committee members)”. These are draft accounts and may change at audit. Thresholds are not adjusted for inflation, so more staff cross them each year as pay rises.

Source: [Camden, Annual Financial Report 2025/26 \(Unaudited Statement of Accounts 2025/26, draft 30-06-2026\)](#), PDF pages 109-110, Note 30b. Checked 24 September 2026.

How are its services rated?

Service ratings and performance: Camden

Measure	Camden	For comparison
Children's services, Ofsted overall effectiveness	Outstanding	15 April 2025. 73% of English councils judged good or outstanding
Adult social care, CQC assessment	Outstanding	28 February 2025. 62% of assessed councils rated good or outstanding
A roads where maintenance should be considered, 2024-25	10%	5% in England
Household waste sent for reuse, recycling or composting, 2024-25	27.7%	42.0% for England
Major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of June 2026	97.7%	91.0% for England
Non-major planning decisions on time, 24 months to end of June 2026	83.0%	90.7% for England

Inspections happen at different times, so a rating can be several years old; the date is shown with each. Planning figures are measured differently in each nation: share of decisions made within the statutory time (13 weeks for major, 8 for non-major) or an agreed extension, over 24 months. Recycling rates are measured differently in England, Scotland and Wales, so compare within a nation.

Source: [Ofsted, Children's social care: local authority inspection outcomes](#), as at 31 March 2026; [Care Quality Commission, Local authority assessments](#), latest assessment; [Department for Transport, Road condition statistics: data tables \(RDC\)](#), 2024-25; [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Local authority collected waste management: annual results](#), 2024-25; [Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Live tables on planning application statistics \(P151, P153\)](#), 24 months to end of June 2026.

What has happened recently?

Decisions and publications by official bodies about Camden, newest first. Each links to the body that made or published it. News reports are not included.

- 7 May 2026 Election [Local election: 55 seats won](#) Labour Party 28, Green Party 11, Liberal Democrats 10, Conservative and Unionist Party 3, Labour and Co-operative Party 2, Camden People's Alliance 1 Democracy Club
- 1 April 2026 Council tax [Council tax for 2026-27: Band D £2,208, up 4.8% on the year before](#) Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
- 25 February 2026 Audit [Auditor's opinion on the 2024-25 accounts signed](#) PSAA records the status as "Delivered by backstop"; auditor Forvis Mazars LLP. Public Sector Audit Appointments
- 5 May 2022 Election [Local election: 55 seats won](#) Labour Party 42, Labour and Co-operative Party 5, Liberal Democrats 4, Conservative and Unionist Party 3, Green Party 1 Democracy Club
- 25 November 2021 Ombudsman [Ombudsman report: upheld, covid-19](#) Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman public interest report, case 20-006-485. Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman
- 25 November 2021 Ombudsman [Ombudsman report: upheld, covid-19](#) Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman public interest report, case 20-009-015. Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman
- 27 May 2021 Ombudsman [Ombudsman report: upheld, child protection](#) Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman public interest report, case 20-010-876. Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman

Does the council think something here is wrong?

If you represent Camden and think a figure here is wrong, out of date or unfairly presented, email hello@whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk with this page's address and the source you would point to. Every correction is logged, with its date, on the [corrections page](#).

How much of the council's spending does this cover?

Council tax paid for 12.7% of the money Camden had to spend in 2025-26. The rest came from government grants (42.0%), business rates (8.0%) and fees, charges and other income (35.8%), with 1.5% taken from reserves. That is why a grant cut can raise your bill even when the council has not changed what it does. [See where it goes](#).

Where can I find out more?

[What council tax is and why it works this way](#), including why the bands are still based on 1991 property values in England and Scotland, and [how every area compares](#), everything else on [Camden: parking, roads, your MP and local services](#), and [Camden on the council map](#).

Common questions

- How much is council tax in Camden? Band D is £2,208 a year for 2026-27. Band A is £1,472 and the top band £4,415.
- Is council tax in Camden higher than average? No. Band D here is £203 below the England average of £2,411.

Where your council tax goes in Camden

Your area · Last updated 28 September 2026 · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/council-tax/england/camden/where-it-goes/>

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Key figures

£2,207.55

Band D bill, 2026-27
As of 6 April 2026

£1,664.72

Goes to Camden itself (75%)
As of 6 April 2026

£531.52

Largest line: adult social care
As of 17 September 2026

12.7%

Of the council's money that comes
from council tax, 2025-26
As of 17 September 2026

Who gets your bill

Figures are for a **Band D** home. Bands A to H pay a fixed fraction of this, set in law.

And where does that bit go?

Choose any part of the bill to see how it divides, then keep going as far as the published returns allow. Every level has its own link you can share.

An interactive map or explorer appears here on the live page.

Parks, street cleaning and roads here

What Camden spent, net of income, on the lines readers ask about most. Roads and street cleaning are also shown per mile of road the council looks after, where it is the highway authority. Gully cleaning and verge cutting are inside routine maintenance; no return splits them out.

Camden, 2025-26

Line	Net spending	Per resident	Similar councils, per resident	Per mile of road	Change
Parks and open spaces (including play areas)	£5.1m	£24	£20	—	up 10.3% on 2024-25
Street cleaning	£13.9m	£64	£38	£80,953 (similar: £47,992)	up 11.5% on 2024-25
Road and bridge maintenance	£210k	£0.97	£16	£1,221 (similar: £15,958)	up 105.9% on 2024-25
Structural maintenance (resurfacing, bridges)	£210k	£0.97	£4.00	£1,221 (similar: £4,507)	up 105.9% on 2024-25
Street lighting (including energy)	-£183k	£-0.84	£4.93	£-1064.00 (similar: £5,814)	—

Miles of road: Department for Transport road lengths, 2025; locally managed major roads and all minor roads. More on [what council tax does and doesn't pay for](#).

What it adds up to

Camden: net spending per resident by service, 2025-26, against the median for London boroughs

Service	Per resident	Median
Education	£1,322	£952
Adult social care	£719	£438
Children's social care	£447	£291
Housing (not council homes)	£299	£146
Environment and regulation	£162	£104
Running the council	£160	£67
Public health	£152	£82
Planning and development	£57	£23
Parks, leisure, libraries and culture	£54	£39
Roads and transport	£-110.24	£1.75

- Camden spent **38.6%** of its gross service spending on its own staff in 2025-26 (median for London boroughs: 33.2%); the rest went on suppliers, contractors, grants, benefits and other running costs.
- Its published payments of £500 or more came to **£841.4m** between 2025-09 and 2026-08. These include capital and council housing spending, so they are not a share of the figures above.
- Payments we classify as consultancy and agency staff came to **10.9%** of its staff costs (median among the 5 other London boroughs whose £500 data is read: 14.0%). The two come from different sources and periods, so this is a guide to scale, not an exact share.

What this data does and doesn't show

- These are each body's own figures, as reported to government in its revenue outturn return. Net spending is after the fees, charges and grants a service brings in.
- Your bill is for 2026-27; it is shared out using the latest published return, which covers an earlier year. The mix of spending changes little from one year to the next, but it does change.
- Council tax is not ring-fenced: this shows your bill in proportion to spending, not what your money bought. Where a precept is set aside for adult social care, it is shown against adult social care.
- No council publishes spending at street or property level, so nothing here says what was spent near you.
- Sub-service lines are the ones the national returns itemise. Councils describe their own budgets differently; their budget books and statements of accounts have more detail.

Sources

- Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, [Council Tax levels set by local authorities in England: Table 10, local authority level data](#), published 25 March 2026. Open Government Licence v3.0.
- Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, [Local authority revenue expenditure and financing: Revenue Outturn multi-year data set](#), published 17 September 2026. Open Government Licence v3.0.

How the split is worked out, and how the three nations' returns are matched to one list of services, is on the [methodology page](#). The dataset is on the [data page](#). See also [council tax in Camden](#) and [everything else about Camden](#).

Common questions

- **What does council tax pay for in Camden?** A Band D bill of £2,207.55 is split between Camden, Camden: adult social care precept, this year's increase, Greater London Authority (Mayor, TfL, London Fire Brigade), Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime. In proportion to spending, the largest line is adult social care, £531.52.

- **Is council tax ring-fenced for particular services?** No. Council tax is pooled with grants, business rates and fees. The adult social care precept is the exception: councils raise it for adult social care.

Parking income in Camden

Your area · Last updated 28 September 2026 · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/parking/camden/>

In 2025–26 Camden took **£73.5m** in parking income and spent £35.0m, a **surplus of £38.5m** against £32.3m in 2024–25 (+19%), the 8th largest of 290 councils in England. Penalty charges brought in £41.3m. Figures are from the council's own return to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.

Key figures

£38.50m

Parking surplus
+£6.22m (+19.3%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£73.49m

Parking income
+£23.64m (+47.4%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£34.99m

Spending on parking
+£17.43m (+99.2%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

£41.33m

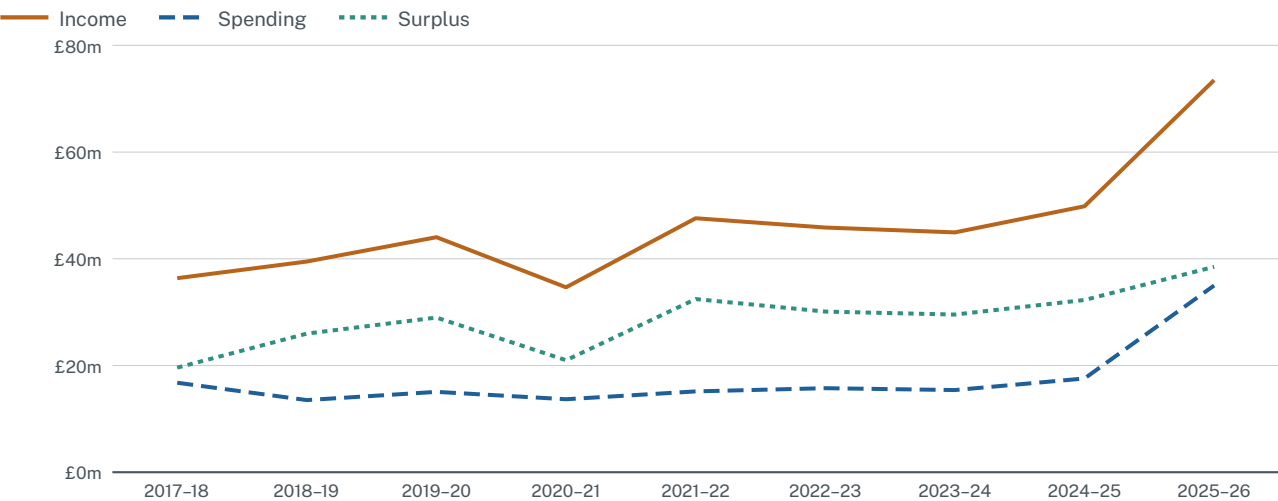
Penalty charge income
+£20.70m (+100.4%) vs 2024–25
2025–26

8 of 290

Rank in England, largest surplus
first
2025–26

How much has Camden made from parking each year?

Camden: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million



Camden: parking income, spending and surplus, £ million. Income: £36.37m in 2017–18, £73.49m in 2025–26. Spending: £16.77m in 2017–18, £35m in 2025–26. Surplus: £19.6m in 2017–18, £38.5m in 2025–26.

Camden: on-street and car park accounts

Year	On-street income	On-street spending	Car park income	Car park spending	Penalty income
2017-18	£35.40m	£15.90m	£0.97m	£0.86m	£13.87m
2018-19	£38.79m	£12.77m	£0.70m	£0.74m	£13.65m
2019-20	£43.35m	£14.32m	£0.70m	£0.74m	£10.92m
2020-21	£34.02m	£13.04m	£0.65m	£0.64m	£7.55m
2021-22	£46.92m	£14.60m	£0.68m	£0.55m	£9.74m
2022-23	£45.17m	£14.88m	£0.69m	£0.87m	£17.10m
2023-24	£43.96m	£14.61m	£1.00m	£0.79m	£17.10m
2024-25	£49.35m	£17.08m	£0.50m	£0.48m	£20.62m
2025-26	£73.00m	£34.52m	£0.49m	£0.47m	£41.33m

All figures are cash, in the council's own return. The most recent year is a first release and may be revised. Camden is recorded as: London.

What can Camden spend a surplus on?**On-street parking charges and all council parking penalty charges (England and Wales)**

Ring-fenced by law a ring-fenced parking account. A surplus may only be spent on parking, public transport, highway and environmental improvements and similar purposes; a deficit is made good from the general fund.

[Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s55, as applied in England by SI 2022/71, regs 25 and 27](#)

Council car park (off-street) tariffs

Kept by the body that collects it the council's general fund. Section 55 covers on-street parking and enforcement income, not car park fees. Not verified

[Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s55\(1\), and DfT statutory guidance on civil parking enforcement](#)

How does Camden compare with other councils?**Camden among the England councils nearest it, parking surplus 2025-26**

Ealing	£52.03m
Hammersmith & Fulham	£51.98m
Haringey	£51.15m
Islington	£43.08m
Camden (Camden)	£38.50m
Wandsworth	£33.38m
Hackney	£31.51m
Newham	£31.19m
Barking & Dagenham	£28.64m

Ranked largest surplus first; a negative figure is a deficit. Every council is in the full tables.

[Every council's parking surplus](#), penalty charge levels and the national trend.

Camden: spending over £500

Your area · Last updated 28 September 2026 · <https://whereyourmoneygoes.co.uk/councils/spending-over-500/camden/>

Camden published **64,941** payments of £500 or more between September 2025 and August 2026, worth **£841.4m** in all, to 3,114 suppliers. The largest total went to HMRC CENTRAL PAYROLL: £61.7m across 7 payments. These are the council's own published records; the gaps in them are listed below.

Key figures

£841.4m

Paid in payments of £500 or more, latest year

64,941

Payments

3,114

Suppliers

12 of 12

Months with payments published

What the council published

1. Septpublished
2. Octpublished
3. Novpublished
4. Decpublished
5. Janpublished
6. Febpublished
7. Marpublished
8. Aprpublished
9. Maypublished
10. Junpublished
11. Julpublished
12. Augpublished

Gaps and problems in the data, as published:

- 9.1% of payments (£52,649,831) have the supplier name withheld or redacted by the council, usually because the payee is an individual.

Top 50 suppliers by value

Camden: the 50 suppliers paid most, September 2025 to August 2026

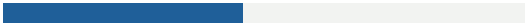
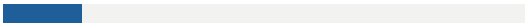
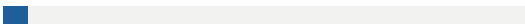
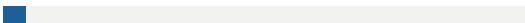
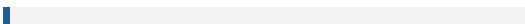
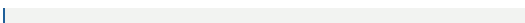
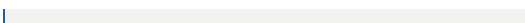
Supplier	Paid	Payments
HMRC CENTRAL PAYROLL	£61,699,764	7
Names withheld by the council	£52,649,831	5,886
VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (UK) PLC	£40,853,288	149
MATRIX SCM LIMITED	£28,439,541	384
HILL PARTNERSHIP LTD	£18,292,908	12
MORGAN SINDALL CONSTRUCTION & INFRASTRUCTURE LTD	£17,586,043	19
NHS North Central London ICB	£15,312,497	76
F M CONWAY LTD	£13,960,056	714

Supplier	Paid	Payments
MCLAREN CONSTRUCTION Limited	£13,804,460	7
LONDONENERGY LTD	£12,586,089	35
CAMDEN BSF SPV LIMITED	£10,831,093	64
CHANGE GROW LIVE SERVICES LTD	£10,637,043	18
TOTAL GAS AND POWER LTD	£9,104,772	12
xxxxREDACTEDxxxx	£9,039,723	3,881
WATES CONSTRUCTION LTD	£8,595,474	7
KENT CC**L A S E R** (KCS INCOME A/C)	£8,581,678	30
MARLBOROUGH HIGHWAYS LTD	£7,733,751	359
ACCIONA INDUSTRIAL SA	£7,498,289	1
SHAW HEALTHCARE (GROUP) LTD	£7,011,295	61
LDN LONDON LIMITED	£6,550,844	1,034
MULALLEY & CO LIMITED	£5,334,512	41
SINGLE HOMELESS PROJECT	£5,288,123	40
SER CONTRACTOR LTD	£5,107,892	843
ARTHUR J GALLAGHER INSURANCE BROKERS LIM	£5,014,627	4
C&W Hospitality Projects Limited	£4,919,733	19
ST MUNGO COMMUNITY HOUSING (GRIFFIN HSE)	£4,907,689	26
GEM ENVIRONMENTAL BUILDING SERVICES LIM	£4,802,285	21
CATERLINK LIMITED	£4,738,330	109
RATHER HOME CARE LTD	£4,700,476	2,279
GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY	£4,658,271	14
NSL LIMITED	£4,554,683	11
QUADRON/IDVERDE LTD	£4,492,230	252
LONDON COUNCILS	£4,358,001	48
OAK CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE LTD	£4,348,741	641
HARTWIG CARE LIMITED	£4,191,737	1,889
CARLISLE SECURITY	£4,124,105	415
JOHN GRAHAM CONSTRUCTION	£4,115,583	9
Pavehall Construction Limited	£4,096,435	12
KAJIMA HAVERSTOCK LTD	£3,866,117	53
CENTRAL AND NORTH WEST LONDON NHS	£3,836,040	54
BTU (INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE) LIMITED	£3,820,139	30
JN&F LIMITED	£3,719,121	423
DURKAN LTD	£3,697,333	32
CAMDEN LEARNING LIMITED	£3,634,834	15
ATLANTIC LODGE (HOUSING) LIMITED	£3,552,583	61
CAVENDISH CONSTRUCTION LTD	£3,545,149	805
OPENVIEW SECURITY SOLUTIONS LIMITED	£3,473,494	28
APEX LIFTS LTD	£3,457,927	53
TRUSTMARQUE SOLUTIONS LTD	£3,448,001	104
Provide Care Solutions Limited	£3,175,560	11

Spending by category (our classification)

Payments this site classifies into each category from the supplier and the council's description; most payments fall into none. The rules are on the [methodology page](#).

Camden: payments by category (our classification)

Payments to other councils and public bodies		£104,968,078
Large outsourcing and contracting firms		£66,567,055
Consultancy and agency staff		£48,051,330
IT and software		£15,714,679
Catering and hospitality		£4,843,550
Legal fees		£4,581,140
Communications and PR		£1,257,125
Conferences and events		£41,227
Travel and accommodation		£36,185

The supplier is another council, a police, fire or NHS body, a government department or agency, or a pension fund.

1. HMRC CENTRAL PAYROLL: £61,699,764 (7 payments)
2. NHS North Central London ICB: £15,312,497 (76 payments)
3. CENTRAL AND NORTH WEST LONDON NHS: £3,836,040 (54 payments)
4. LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON: £3,056,501 (36 payments)
5. EALING COUNCIL - Head Office Collections: £2,721,831 (1 payment)
6. LONDON BOROUGH OF HAMMERSMITH & FULHAM: £2,257,437 (7 payments)
7. LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING: £1,701,957 (2 payments)
8. Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWL): £1,612,184 (7 payments)
9. NHS North Central London ICB (Integrated Care Board): £1,491,015 (9 payments)
10. LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT: £1,309,078 (14 payments)

The supplier is one of a named list of large firms that run council services under contract. A payment to one is often a routine instalment on a long contract.

1. VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (UK) PLC: £40,853,288 (149 payments)
2. MORGAN SINDALL CONSTRUCTION & INFRASTRUCTURE LTD: £17,586,043 (19 payments)
3. QUADRON/IDVERDE LTD: £4,492,230 (252 payments)
4. VINCI CONSTRUCTION UK LIMITED: £2,014,311 (21 payments)
5. MORGAN SINDALL PROPERTY SERVICES LIMITED: £788,063 (15 payments)
6. BIFFA WASTE SERVICES LTD: £765,373 (2 payments)
7. CAPITA BUSINESS: £55,995 (9 payments)
8. MITIE TECHNICAL FACILITIES MANAGEMENT LTD: £7,913 (2 payments)
9. CAPITA PENSION SOLUTIONS LTD: £1,890 (1 payment)
10. EQUANS Regeneration Limited: £1,197 (1 payment)

The supplier is a law firm or chambers, or the council describes the payment as legal fees, counsel or court fees.

1. BIRKETTS LLP: £914,146 (91 payments)
2. PINSENT MASONS LLP: £499,327 (7 payments)
3. KENNEDYS LAW LLP OFFICE ACCOUNT: £270,791 (57 payments)
4. DWF LAW LLP: £253,157 (107 payments)
5. CAPSTICKS SOLICITORS LLP: £246,323 (229 payments)
6. JUDGE & PRIESTLEY LLP: £215,522 (53 payments)
7. Devonshires Solicitors LLP: £205,307 (16 payments)
8. FIELD COURT CHAMBERS: £152,103 (105 payments)
9. ANTONY HODARI SOLICITORS: £132,814 (37 payments)
10. PAYNE HICKS BEACH LLP: £126,052 (11 payments)

The supplier is a recruitment agency or consultancy on a named list, or the council describes the payment as consultancy, agency or interim staff, or professional fees.

1. MATRIX SCM LIMITED: £28,439,541 (384 payments)

2. ARCADIS LLP: £1,458,010 (56 payments)
3. OVE ARUP & PARTNERS LTD: £890,775 (19 payments)
4. Forvis Mazars LLP: £882,007 (13 payments)
5. Names withheld by the council: £779,649 (177 payments)
6. BAILY GARNER LLP: £605,940 (103 payments)
7. PELLINGS LLP: £545,394 (123 payments)
8. Airey Miller Limited: £534,268 (72 payments)
9. FRANKHAM CONSULTANCY GROUP LIMITED: £490,827 (34 payments)
10. CAPITAL PROPERTY & CONSTRUCTION CONSULTA: £464,653 (25 payments)

The supplier is on a named list of IT and telecoms firms, or the council describes the payment as software, licences, IT, hardware, hosting or telephony.

1. TRUSTMARQUE SOLUTIONS LTD: £3,399,849 (100 payments)
2. INSIGHT DIRECT (UK) LTD: £1,121,981 (29 payments)
3. CIVICA UK LTD: £1,105,060 (17 payments)
4. ORACLE CORPORATION UK LTD: £929,013 (29 payments)
5. VALCON GROUP UK LIMITED: £590,762 (14 payments)
6. CDW LIMITED: £583,809 (15 payments)
7. TPXIMPACT LIMITED: £462,304 (2 payments)
8. NETCALL TECHNOLOGY LIMITED: £417,380 (4 payments)
9. TET Limited: £363,008 (49 payments)
10. GVAV Limited: £353,494 (14 payments)

The council describes the payment as advertising, marketing, publicity or public relations. Recruitment and statutory notices are left out.

1. BAUER MEDIA OUTDOOR UK LIMITED: £350,000 (1 payment)
2. CAMDEN NEW JOURNAL: £140,458 (147 payments)
3. Interiors By Abode Ltd: £111,825 (9 payments)
4. GREENWICH LEISURE LTD (HEAD OFFICE): £109,636 (13 payments)
5. My Money Matters: £105,625 (8 payments)
6. CYCLEScheme LTD: £87,277 (37 payments)
7. EDENRED (INCENTIVES & MOTIVATION) LTD: £79,873 (7 payments)
8. THE MEDIA PEOPLE: £74,780 (19 payments)
9. February London Ltd t/a Latch: £39,349 (14 payments)
10. Word on the Curb: £29,250 (2 payments)

The council describes the payment as a conference, seminar, exhibition, event or venue hire.

1. GRAYSONS RESTAURANTS LIMITED: £10,062 (1 payment)
2. BENUGO LTD: £7,478 (1 payment)
3. Students Union UCL: £7,475 (1 payment)
4. MARY WARD HOUSE LTD: £3,106 (1 payment)
5. MAGNIFICENT! LTD: £2,300 (1 payment)
6. NABMA: £1,500 (1 payment)
7. WALLACESPACE: £1,350 (1 payment)
8. OCEAN MEDIA GROUP LTD: £1,070 (1 payment)
9. CHILD POVERTY ACTION GROUP LTD: £885 (1 payment)
10. HOMELESS LINK: £825 (1 payment)

The council describes the payment as travel, fares, flights, subsistence or hotels. Homeless and temporary accommodation, and home to school and client transport, are left out.

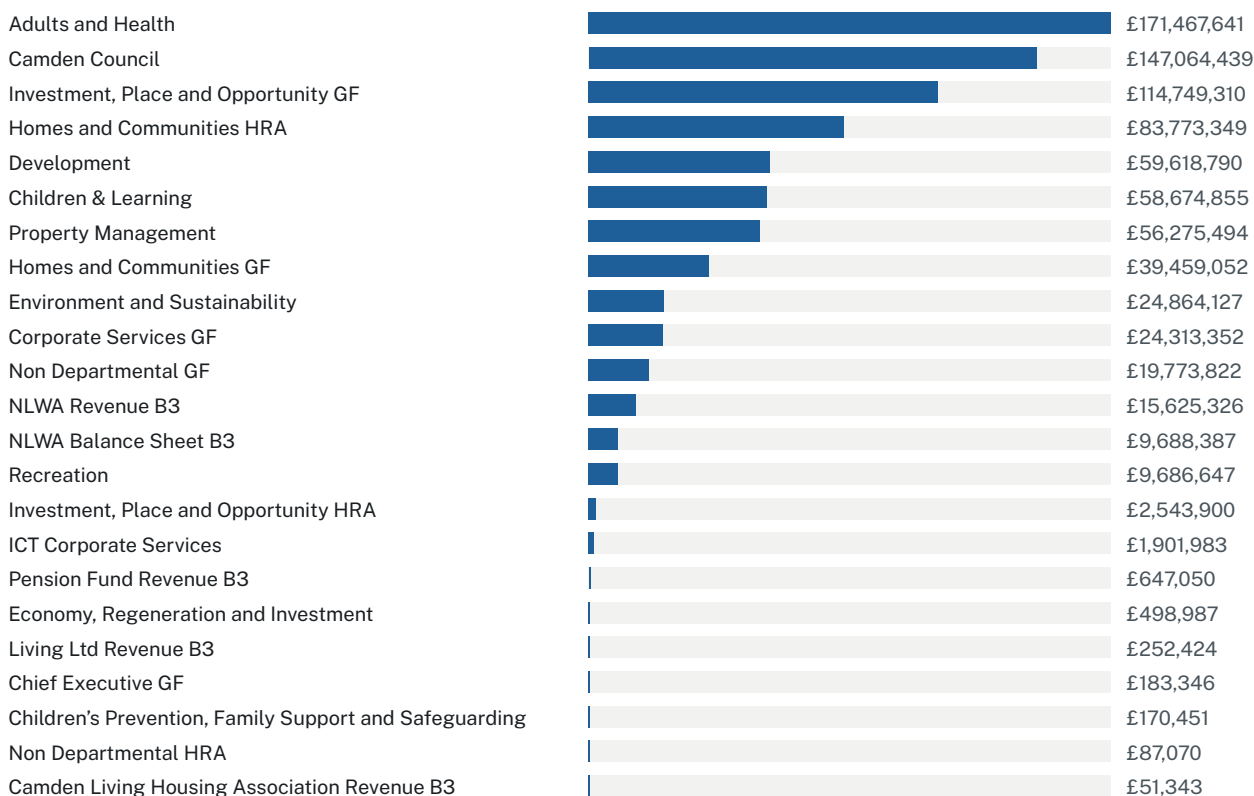
1. xxxxREDACTEDxxxx: £12,523 (8 payments)
2. Names withheld by the council: £11,450 (7 payments)
3. MATTINSON PARTNERSHIP LTD: £10,722 (2 payments)
4. Bright Oak Care Limited: £830 (1 payment)
5. Vecteo Limited: £660 (1 payment)

The council describes the payment as catering, hospitality or refreshments. School meals are left out.

1. CATERLINK LIMITED: £4,727,446 (97 payments)
2. BERKELEY CATERING LIMITED: £67,780 (76 payments)
3. SANDS CATERING SERVICES SUPERNOTE LTD: £12,135 (9 payments)
4. LONDON IRISH CENTRE (CHARITY): £5,302 (2 payments)
5. PHOENICIA MEDITERRANEAN FOOD HALL: £4,986 (3 payments)
6. LIFEAFTERHUMMUS COMMUNITY BENEFIT SOC: £4,892 (4 payments)
7. UNITY WORKS SOCIAL ENTERPRISES: £4,237 (4 payments)
8. Lime Hut Limited: £2,884 (3 payments)
9. Sy Vee London Catering Ltd: £2,527 (3 payments)
10. NCVO: £2,421 (2 payments)

Spending by the council's own service areas

Camden: payments by service area, as the council labels them



Who is paid for grounds, street cleaning, roads and bins?

The suppliers paid most for each kind of work, where the council's own labels say what the payment was for (our matching). A council that does the work with its own staff pays mostly wages, which are not in this data, so a short list here can mean the work is done in-house.

Parks and open spaces (including play areas): largest suppliers

QUADRON/IDVERDE LTD		£1,170,270
TREEHAB LTD		£158,079
LUSH LANDSCAPES		£36,108
THE CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS		£20,000
MAIDEN LANE COMMUNITY CENTRE		£15,300
GROUP INTERIORS LTD		£9,438
THE BOMA GARDEN CENTRE		£1,501
USTIGATE LTD		£1,337
SKY GARDEN LTD		£935
SEAGRAVE INSPECTION SERVICES LTD		£600

Street cleaning: largest suppliers

STREETSPACE LIMITED		£2,709
GLASDON UK LIMITED		£1,185
RNB ENGINEERING LTD		£1,166
Locus Services Limited		£695

Waste collection: largest suppliers

RESTORE DATASHRED		£28,084
VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (UK) PLC		£13,500
PHS GROUP PLC		£9,742
SKY GARDEN LTD		£7,211
SAFESITE LTD		£5,303
SAFETY KLEEN UK LTD		£4,969
CLEARUP SOLUTIONS		£4,210
LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET -INCOME SECTION		£1,240
MGD TRANSPORT LTD		£750

Consultancy and agency against the pay bill

Payments we classify as consultancy and agency staff came to **10.9%** of Camden's own staff costs in its 2025-26 revenue return, against a median of 14.0% for the other London boroughs read so far. The payments and the staff costs come from different sources and periods, so this is a guide to scale.

Search every payment

Searching needs JavaScript. Every payment is in [one JSON file](#).

Every payment, as the council published it, is in [one JSON file](#); the search can download any selection as CSV.

What this data does and doesn't show

- It is the council's own record of payments of £500 or more. It leaves out salaries, most staff costs and many internal costs, so it is not the council's whole spending.
- Descriptions are the council's own and vary in quality; some are codes, some are blank, and some supplier names are withheld to protect individuals.
- A large payment to one supplier is often a routine instalment on a long contract that was tendered openly.
- The categories and the matching to services are this site's classification from keywords, not the council's. The rules are on the [methodology page](#).

Sources

Camden, spending over £500, [published here](#). Licence as the council states it: Open Government Licence v3.0 (Socrata dataset metadata). Checked 2026-09-24; files read 2026-09-28.

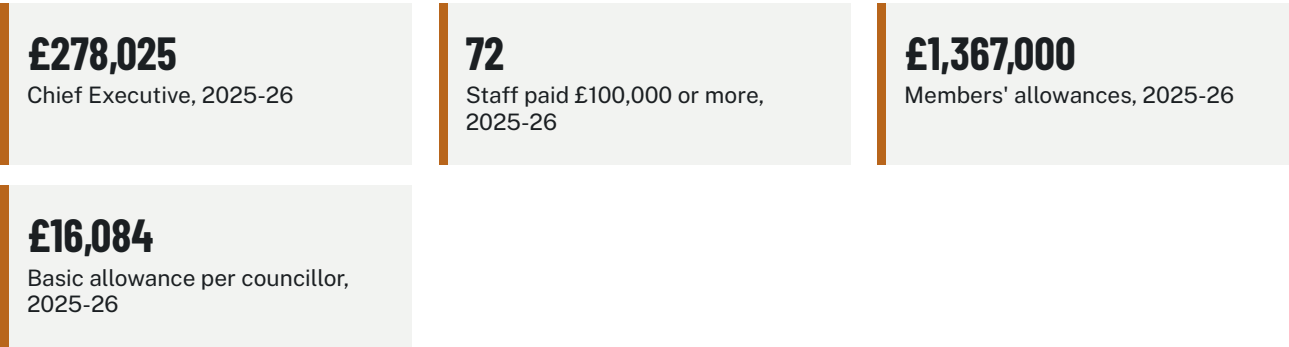
- [export](#), file dated 2026-09-14: 75,368 payments of £500 or more. Read 2026-09-28.

Camden: senior pay and councillor allowances

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In its draft statement of accounts for 2025-26, Camden reports total remuneration of **£278,025** for its chief executive (including employer pension contributions), a year in which the post changed hands, **72** employees paid £100,000 or more, and **£1,367,000** paid in members' allowances.

Key figures



Chief Executive

Total remuneration of **£278,025** in 2025-26, including employer pension contributions. The post changed hands, or the figure covers part of a year, so it is not compared with the year before. The median among the 3 other London boroughs collected so far is £286,502.

Every line the council printed for the post

As printed	Year	Total
Chief Executive (Jon Rowney)	2025-26	£278,025
Chief Executive	2025-26	£140,041
Chief Executive (Jenny Rowlands)	2024-25	£294,451

From the accounts: Two lines titled 'Chief Executive' are printed for 2025/26 (one named, one unnamed) with no footnote explaining the dates; both recorded as printed. Variable pay is described as a 'one off non-consolidated payment based on performance'. Total excluding pension is not printed. The note states allowances for advising the North London Waste Authority are not included.

PDF pages 107-108, Note 30a

Employees paid £50,000 or more

2,429 employees in 2025-26, up 36.2% on 2024-25 (1,784). 72 were paid £100,000 or more, 33.2 per 100,000 residents. The median among the 5 other London boroughs collected so far is 21.8 per 100,000.

Camden: employees by pay band, as printed

Band	2025-26	2024-25
£50,000 to £54,999	672	500
£55,000 to £59,999	539	420
£60,000 to £64,999	414	310
£65,000 to £69,999	250	159
£70,000 to £74,999	195	133
£75,000 to £79,999	102	69
£80,000 to £84,999	64	49
£85,000 to £89,999	46	39
£90,000 to £94,999	39	30
£95,000 to £99,999	36	22
£100,000 to £104,999	22	14
£105,000 to £109,999	18	13
£110,000 to £114,999	10	5
£115,000 to £119,999	4	1
£120,000 to £124,999	4	4
£125,000 to £129,999	3	1
£130,000 to £134,999	1	5
£135,000 to £139,999	2	3
£140,000 to £144,999	1	2
£145,000 to £149,999	2	4
£150,000 to £154,999	3	0
£155,000 to £159,999	1	0
£160,000 to £164,999	0	0
£165,000 to £169,999	0	1
£170,000 to £174,999	0	0
£175,000 to £179,999	0	0
£180,000 to £184,999	0	0
£185,000 to £189,999	1	0

Includes schools staff. Senior officers listed separately are not in these counts. From the accounts: 'The number of staff receiving remuneration in the year in excess of £50,000 ... excluding those officers named in the earlier part of this note. These figures include staff in community schools.' Non-schools, Community Schools and Overall Total; counts are Overall Total (2,429 in 2025/26; 1,784 in 2024/25). The council notes a 3.2% pay award from 1 April 2025 placed a number of staff over the £50,000 threshold for the first time.

Source: Camden, [Annual Financial Report 2025/26 \(Unaudited Statement of Accounts 2025/26, draft 30-06-2026\)](#) (draft), PDF pages 109-110, Note 30b. Read by hand; checked 2026-09-24.

Councillors' allowances

£1,367,000 in 2025-26, up 3.9% on 2024-25 (£1,316,000), or £6.31 per resident. The median among the 5 other London boroughs collected so far is £3.51 per resident.

The basic allowance for each councillor is £16,084 a year (2025-26).

From the accounts: "Allowances 1,365 (2024/25 1,312); Expenses 2 (4); Total 1,367 (1,316) £'000 — paid to Members of the authority (councillors and independent committee members)" (PDF page 106, Note 29)

Published allowances: .

What this data does and doesn't show

- Every figure is as Camden printed it, in accounts that have not yet been audited. Counts in the £100,000 figure are our sum of the council's bands.
- Comparisons are with the other London boroughs read so far; no national figure is published for England.
- The council's allowances page lists 'Members' allowances payments' documents only up to 2021/22 at the time of checking; no 2024/25 or 2025/26 payments publication was found there. Basic rate from 'Scheme for the Payment of Members' Allowances 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026': 'Each Member of the Council is entitled to receive a Basic Allowance of £16,084.30'.

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legislation.gov.uk and official guidance, provision by provision https://www.legislation.gov.uk/	legislation.gov.uk	22 September 2026	Open Government Licence v3.0 (legislation.gov.uk)	Parking income in Camden

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